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On Saturdays, neighbors in the Mount Pleasant area of the District of Columbia come together to participate in the family involvement component of The Books Project, a teacher education program that trains teachers to implement writing workshops in language diverse classrooms. The Family Involvement Project expands The Books Project to include parents and involve them in writing workshops. This anthology presents some of the stories written by parents and children. Some are presented in English, but those that were written in Spanish are published in both languages. The 36 stories of this collection illuminate many of the themes of urban life for the disadvantaged, touching on racial and ethnic issues, family and school experiences, and the experiences of poverty. (SLD)

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